TAX RATES

The **4Q16** tax rate matrix was finalized on December 5, 2016. Jurisdictions now have until March 1, 2017 (Wednesday) to verify or amend their tax rate data for the **1Q17** matrix.   Currently, one jurisdiction has changed their tax rate. To view current tax rate changes please visit:

https://www.iftach.org/taxchangeq.php

REMINDER!!   Please keep your Contacts updated in your IFTA, Inc. profile on www.iftach.org to prevent emails being returned with a delivery failure notice.

It is recommended that all membership review their Jurisdiction Communication Lists at this time. If your revised date is more than one year, but there have been no changes, please click to update your communication list so that the revision date shows for 2016. Thank you!

THE IFTA, INC. STAFF

Lonette L. Turner, CEO

Debora K. Meise, Senior Director

Jason DeGraf, Information Services Director

Amanda McNally Koeller, Comptroller/Treasurer

Tammy Trinker, Office and Events Administrator

Tom King, Webmaster

Patricia Platt, Program Compliance Administrator

Upcoming IFTA Meetings

The IFTA, Inc. Board of Trustees will hold their 1Q17 Board meeting at the IFTA, Inc. offices in Chandler, AZ January 18 - 19. These dates are posted on the IFTA, Inc. website. If you have any items of concern that you would like the Board to address please contact either your Jurisdiction Board Liaison or IFTA, Inc.

FTA and **IRP, Inc.** meetings for 2017 have been added to the IFTA, Inc. website calendar. Keep checking the IFTA, Inc. website for these and other related events of importance that might impact your jurisdiction. If you are aware of any other related functions for 2017 please feel free to forward that information to Mrs. Tammy Trinker at tdtrinker@iftach.org for posting to the calendar.

Annual Report Database

The Annual Report Database will be open for your input on January 3, 2017.   If you are looking for a list of all of the information you will need to complete your annual report, please refer to the Procedures Manual, Section P1110.100.

The due date for submitting your Annual Report is

March 1, 2017

Short Track Ballot Update

Short Track Ballot 4-2016 has PASSED.

Here is the voting breakdown:

Number of "Yes" Votes Received:	50
Number of "No" Votes Received:	0
Number of Votes Not Received:	7
Number of Ineligible Jurisdictions:	1
Total:	58
Result:	**PASSED**

Effective date: **_July 1, 2017_**

An affirmative vote of at least three-fourths of **_total member jurisdictions_** is required for any ballot language to pass. Three-fourths = 44 AFFIRMATIVE VOTES.

2017 Ballot Deadline

April 14, 2017

2017 IFTA Decals

Just an FYI...you are NOT required to exchange decals with your fellow member jurisdictions. However, if you would like to see your 2017 IFTA Decal on your Carrier Contact Page on the IFTA Inc. website, please submit one to the IFTA, Inc. office. Electronically scanned decals are also accepted.

Thanks!

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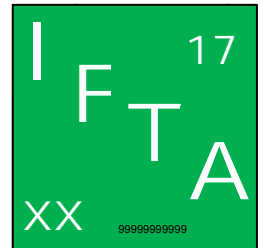
2017 Program Compliance E-Reviews

Jurisdiction	Jurisdiction

California
   March 27-31, 2017
	Idaho
	   August 21-25, 2017

Arizona
   April 17-21, 2017
	Washington
	   August 28 – September 1, 2017

Wyoming
   May 1-5, 2017
	Utah
	   September 11-15, 2017

Colorado
   June 5-9, 2017
	New Mexico
	   October 16-20, 2017

Oregon
   June 26-30, 2017
	Nevada
	   November 6-10, 2017

Texas
   July 17-21, 2017
	Montana
	   December 4-8, 2017

2017 Sponsorship Program

The International Fuel Tax Association, Inc. is pleased to offer opportunities for two 2017 IFTA, Inc. hosted meetings:

Audit Workshop
> The IFTA/IRP Audit Workshop is a result of a partnership between IRP and IFTA and is a unique venue for auditors to exchange information.   The Workshop will be held at the Omni Houston Hotel in Houston, Texas February 28 – March 2, 2017.

> The Audit Workshop is attended by auditors of both IFTA and IRP accounts in the United States and Canada, motor carrier industry representatives and vendors.

Annual Business Meeting
> The Annual IFTA Business Meeting will be held at the Sheraton Grand Wild Horse Pass Resort in Chandler Arizona August 9-10, 2017.

> The Annual IFTA Business Meeting is a unique opportunity for all IFTA member jurisdictions and partners to come together to interact and provide valuable information to all in attendance.

Why Sponsor a Networking Event?

Sponsoring a networking event at an IFTA meeting will:

- Highlight your business commitment to current clients.
- Give your business representatives the opportunity to network with potential clients from both jurisdictions and industry.
- Show your support to IFTA and IFTA, Inc.

Supporters
- Signage with company logo displayed during sponsored event
- Company information provided to all attendees upon check-in
- Sponsor Recognition on Name Tag
- Recognition on Final Agenda
- Acknowledgement of sponsorship during event
- Early receipt of Attendee Registration List

Associates
- Same as Supporters plus
- Promotional item provided by IFTA, Inc. to include company logo
- One additional Registration

Partners
- Same as Associates plus
- Two additional Registrations
- Promotional item provided by IFTA, Inc. to include company logo

Event Sponsor (Both IFTA Events)
> Event Sponsor includes everything under Partner, IFTA, Inc. Website – Logo on Sponsor Page and Link to Sponsor's Website, IFTA News Highlight 4 times a year, additional signage posted throughout the Event and a choice of one of the following:

- One additional attendee at both meetings or
- Two additional attendees at one meeting of their choice (Audit or ABM)

This year we have added the option for all Sponsor levels to Sponsor at both Events at a reduced price. If you have questions or want more information on Sponsoring at an Event please Debora Meise at dmeise@iftach.org.

FROM THE DESK OF ~Anette~

As we approach the end to another year, I thought I would reflect a bit on the things that we have accomplished together during my 23 years here at IFTA, Inc.

When I arrived in September 1993, 29 jurisdictions had implemented IFTA. Over the next 3 years, 29 others joined IFTA and all but 4 had implemented. The remaining 4 implemented in 1997. So, in 3 years we, together, achieved what we thought might be impossible. We reached full membership by the September 1996 deadline established in ISTEA.

And what have we accomplished in the last 20 years? Here are just a few things.

► **From paper to electronic:**
  ☑ Tax Rates
  ☑ Annual Reports
  ☑ License Status Reports
  ☑ Jurisdiction Communication Lists
  ☑ Meeting Registration and Payment
  ☑ Ballot Commenting and Voting
  ☑ IFTA Governing Documents
  ☑ IFTA News
  ☑ Emergency waivers

► **From Jurisdictions exchanging information by mail to the IFTA, Inc. Clearinghouse:**
  ☑ Demographic Data and License Status Reports
  ☑ Transmittal Data
  ☑ Funds Netting
  ☑ Interjurisdictional Audit Reports
  ☑ Fully Implemented 55 jurisdictions into the Clearinghouse and Funds Netting

► **From Program Compliance on site reviews to e-reviews**

► **Electronic training via webinars**

► **Development and Maintenance of:**
  ☑ Best Practices Guides for Audit, Law Enforcement, Managers and Clearinghouse
  ☑ New Board Member Orientation Guide; Committee Charters
  ☑ Board Election Materials

► **Two full upgrades to** www.iftach.org

I cannot even make a guess as to the number of hours put in by Debbie, Amanda, Jason, Tom, Pat and Tammy as well as all of you that have served on the Board and the IFTA committees and working groups. I am so thankful for all of you that have helped and continue to help IFTA be a great example of cooperation among States, Provinces, the US and Canadian Federal governments, and the motor carrier industry and service representatives.

As we now work with our partners and stakeholders and move toward the possibility of electronic records for roadside enforcement, we will be calling on many of you for assistance.

I want to wish you all a very Merry Christmas, Happy Holidays, and a very Happy New Year!

IFTA, INC. 2017 HOLIDAY SCHEDULE - OFFICES CLOSED

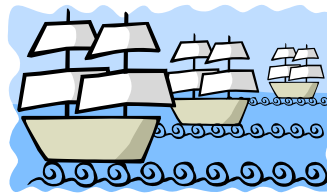**January 2**   **New Year's Day**
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September 4   **Labor Day**
(Monday)
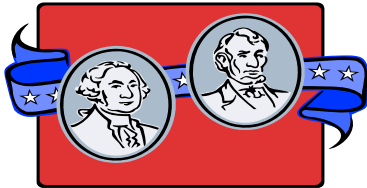
January 16   **Martin Luther King**
(Monday)

October 9   **Columbus Day**
(Monday)

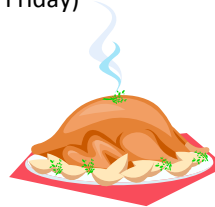**February 20**   **President's Day**
(Monday)

November 10   **Veterans Day**
(Friday)

May 29   **Memorial Day**
(Monday)

November 23 - 24   **Thanksgiving**
(Thursday – Friday)

July 4   **Independence Day**
(Tuesday)

December 25 - 26   **Christmas Holiday**
(Monday - Tuesday)

CANADIAN 2017 NATIONAL HOLIDAYS - OFFICES CLOSED

January 2   **New Year's Day**
(Monday)

February 20   **Family Day (Provincial)**
(Monday)

April 14   **Good Friday**
(Friday)

April 17   **Easter Monday (QC)**
(Monday)

May 22   **Victoria Day**
(Monday)

July 3   **Canada Day**
(Monday Observance)

August 7   **Civic Holiday (Provincial)**
(Monday)
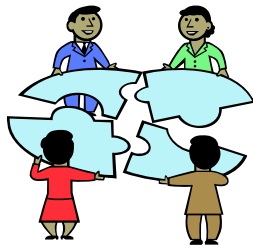
September 4   **Labour Day**
(Monday)

October 9   **Thanksgiving Day**
(Monday)

November 13   **Remembrance Day**
(Monday Observance)

December 25   **Christmas Holiday**
(Monday)

December 26   **Boxing Day (ON)**
(Tuesday)

IFTA Comings and Goings
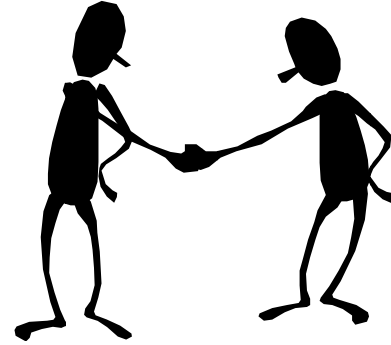
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If your jurisdiction experiences any changes please be certain to visit the IFTA, Inc. website, login, and update your jurisdiction's communication list. If you need assistance with how to do this please contact Tom King at tking@iftach.org.   The following jurisdictions have updated the Jurisdiction Communication List (JCL) in some manner since *November 15, 2016*. Please visit their JCL on the secure website to ensure that you are working with the most current information for these jurisdictions:

British Columbia	**New York**	**Wisconsin**
Illinois	**Oklahoma**	
Kentucky	**Virginia**	

IFTA, INC. WEBSITE

By: Tom King, webmaster (tking@iftach.org)

New Website Update

The new website has updated has it handles passwords and password resetting. In early December all passwords were deleted and will need to be reset via email. As of now 40% of all registered IFTA, Inc. users have already done this. We have detailed instructions on changing your passwords on the Important Information web page. If you have level 5 or higher access you can manage your jurisdictions users and create new passwords for them if you wish to do that.

Manual Update

New 2017 updates were posted for the Articles of Agree and Audit Manual. The Audit Manual is searchable and Articles of Agree will be searchable early in 2017.

If you have any questions or issues email me at tking@iftach.org or call me at the office on #5.

IFTA, INC. CLEARINGHOUSE UPDATE

By: Jason DeGraf, Information Services Director (jdegraf@iftach.org)

Demographic Check Your Data Page

Quality of Demographic Data

As you may know, but perhaps not, we send out daily automated Demographic Error Reports to the IFTA Commissioners and Assistant Commissioners. These reports consist of errors we have found in the Demographic Database based on our Demographic Definitions. We look at Taxpayer ID, Status Types, Date Formats, and generate a report if errors are found.

Our goal is to get a clean and completely useful database for you and the IFTA Community at large.

We also allow you the opportunity to conduct your own tests against the database. Seen in the picture to the left, the web page can be found on the Demographics portion of the Clearinghouse which you are free to explore.

EVENTS

2017

1Q IFTA, Inc. Board Meeting
January 18 - 19
Chandler, Arizona

IRP, Inc. Winter Board Meeting
January 31 – February 1
Palm Springs, CA

IFTA/IRP Audit Workshop
February 28 – March 2
Houston, Texas

CVSA Workshop
April 23 – 27
Atlanta, Georgia

2Q IFTA, Inc. Board Meeting
April 25 - 26
Chandler, Arizona

IRP Annual Meeting
May 16 – 18
Tempe, Arizona

Annual IFTA Business Meeting
August 9 - 10
Chandler, Arizona

Motor Fuels Uniformity Meeting
September 21 – 23
Peoria, IL

Motor Fuels Annual Conference
September 24 – 27
Peoria, IL

IFTA/IRP Managers' and Law Enforcement Workshop
September 26 – 28
Salt Lake City, UT

4Q IFTA, Inc. Board Meeting
October 24 - 25
Chandler, Arizona